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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS LOCKE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FORUM BOARD

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has appointed **Don C. Locke** of Weaverville to the North Carolina Public School Forum Board of Directors.

Locke is the retired diversity director at UNC at Asheville. He is a member of the American Counseling Association, Pisgah Legal Services board and the YMI Cultural Center in Asheville. Locke was named a distinguished professor at N.C. State University in 2003. He received his Bachelor's degree in history and his Master's degree in history education from Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tenn., and his doctorate of education degree in counseling from Ball State University in Muncie, Ind.

The board creates an organizational bridge between business and educational leaders working to foster a true partnership. The board has 13 members. The governor appoints four members, each serving at the pleasure of the governor. The Senate President Pro Tempore and the Speaker of the House each appoint four members. The lieutenant governor appoints one member.

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